

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

IN RE TRICOR DIRECT PURCHASER
ANTITRUST LITIGATION

C.A/ No. 05-340 (KAJ)
(Consolidated)

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:

ALL ACTIONS

**DIRECT PURCHASER PLAINTIFFS' FURTHER NOTICE OF DEPOSITION
OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to Rule 30(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiffs will take the deposition by oral examination of Abbott Laboratories on September 8, 2006 at 9:30 a.m., at Rosenthal, Monhait & Goddess, P.A., 919 Market Street, Suite 1401, Wilmington, DE 19801, or such other location agreed to by counsel. The deposition will be recorded by videotape as well as stenographically before a Notary Public or other officer authorized to administer oaths, and shall continue from day to day until completed, with such adjournments as to time and place as may be necessary.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(6), Abbott Laboratories is required to designate one or more officers, directors or managing agents, or other persons who consent to testify on their behalf and to give testimony on the topics set forth in Exhibit A hereto, and the person(s) so designated shall be required to testify as to the matters

known or reasonably available to the corporation with respect to each topic. You are invited to attend and to cross examine.

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EXHIBIT A

Abbott Laboratories is requested to designate one or more officers, directors or managing agents, or other persons who consent to testify on its behalf who have knowledge of the matters set forth herein.

DEFINITIONS

1. The term “Abbott” means Abbott Laboratories, or any of its subsidiaries, divisions, subdivisions, affiliates, predecessor and successor entities, partners, officers, directors, employees, agents, legal counsel, or any other person acting on its behalf.

2. The term “Fournier” means Fournier Industrie et Sante, Laboratories Fournier S.A., or any of their subsidiaries, divisions, subdivisions, affiliates, predecessor and successor entities, partners, officers, directors, employees, agents, legal counsel, or any other person acting on their behalf.

3. The term “Decision Makers” means the individuals involved on Abbott’s behalf in deciding, directly or indirectly, whether to file and/or continue to prosecute the Capsule and/or Tablet Lawsuits.

4. The term “Capsule Lawsuits” refers to those actions instituted by Abbott and/or Fournier in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois alleging infringement of the Curtet Patent, including but not limited to Abbott Laboratories v. Novopharm Ltd., Civ. No. 00-CV-2141 (N.D. Ill.); Abbott Laboratories v. Novopharm Ltd., Civ. No. 00-CV-5094 (N.D. Ill.); Abbott Laboratories v. Novopharm Ltd., Civ. No. 01-CV-1914 (N.D. Ill.); Abbott Laboratories v. Impax Laboratories, Inc., Civ. No. 00-CV-5092 (N.D. Ill.); Abbott Laboratories v. Impax Laboratories, Inc., Civ. No. 00-CV-7865 (N.D. Ill.); and Abbott Laboratories v. Impax Laboratories, Inc., Civ. No. 01-CV-1648 (N.D. Ill.).

5. The term “Tablet Lawsuits” refers to those actions instituted by Abbott and/or Fournier in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware alleging infringement of the Curtet Patent and/or Stamm Patents, including, but not limited to Abbott Laboratories v. Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc., Civ No. 02-1512 (Del.); Abbott Laboratories v. Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc., Civ No. 03-0847 (Del.); Abbott Laboratories v. Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc., Civ No. 04-0047 (Del.) Abbott Laboratories v. Impax Laboratories, Inc. 03-0120 (Del.); Abbott Laboratories v. Impax Laboratories, Inc. 03-0288 (Del.); Abbott Laboratories v. Impax Laboratories, Inc., Civ. No. 03-0890 (Del.); Abbott Laboratories v. Impax Laboratories, Inc., Civ. No. 04-0048 (Del.).

6. The term “Bases” means all evidence discovered and/or developed by Abbott and/or Fournier and/or the Decision Makers before or during the Capsule Lawsuits and Tablet Lawsuits including, but not limited to, documentary evidence, deposition testimony, and expert opinions and reports.

7. The term “Curtet Patent” means United States Patent No. 4,895,726.

8. The term “Stamm Patents” means United States Patent Nos. 6,074,670; 6,277,405; 6,589,552; 6,596,317; and 6,652,881.

9. The term “Capsule ANDAs” means abbreviated new drug application nos. 75-753 and 75-868.

10. The term “Tablet ANDAs” means abbreviated new drug application nos. 76-433 and 76-509.

11. The term “Identity” means the person’s (a) full given name, together with any and all known nicknames; (b) present employer and business address, or if unavailable, last known employer and business address; (c) present home address, if a natural person, or if unavailable, last known home address; (d) business affiliation, if a natural person, or if unavailable, last

known business affiliation; and (e) job title and description of the duties and responsibilities of such person, if a natural person, including all changes thereto.

11. The terms “and/or”, “or” and “and” are used inclusively, not exclusively.

TOPICS

1. The Identity of the Decision Makers and their respective roles in deciding whether to file and/or continue to prosecute each of the Capsule and/or Tablet Lawsuits.

2. The pre-filing investigation, if any, conducted by or on behalf of Abbott with respect to each of the Capsule and Tablets Lawsuits.

3. The facts known (and when they became known) to Abbott and the Decision Makers supporting Abbott’s infringement positions in the Capsule Lawsuits including, but not limited to, facts regarding (1) the Capsule ANDAs and/or products manufactured under those ANDAs and (2) the Curtet Patent (and its prosecution history).

4. The facts known (and when they became known) to Abbott and the Decision Makers supporting Abbott’s infringement, validity and enforceability positions in the Tablet Lawsuits including, but not limited to, facts regarding (1) the Tablet ANDAs and/or products manufactured under those ANDAs and (2) the Curtet and Stamm Patents (and their prosecution histories).

5. Abbott’s and the Decision Makers’ Bases and motivations for filing and perpetuating the Capsule Lawsuits and Tablet Lawsuits.

6. Abbott’s and the Decision Maker’s Bases for believing that the Capsule ANDAs and/or Tablet ANDAs and/or products manufactured under those ANDAs satisfied the limitations of the Curtet Patent claims, including but not limited to the limitations “co-micronized mixture of particles of fenofibrate and a solid surfactant” and “co-micronization of

the fenofibrate and a solid surfactant.”

7. Abbott’s and the Decision Maker’s Bases for believing that the claim limitations requiring a minimum weight percentage content of a hydrophilic polymer (*e.g.*, at least twenty weight percent) in one or more of the Stamm Patents were satisfied by the Tablet ANDAs and/or products manufactured under those ANDAs.

8. Abbott’s and the Decision Maker’s Bases for Abbott’s proposed claim constructions in the Capsule Lawsuits and Tablet Lawsuits.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on July 26, 2006 I electronically filed the foregoing DIRECT PURCHASER PLAINTIFFS' FURTHER NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES using CM/ECF, which will send notification of such filing to all registered participants, including:

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